

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - March 2008

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
ILLINOIS, Central				
(IL-Z066) EFFINGHAM				
	03/03/08 18:00 CST		0	Ice Storm
	03/04/08 00:00 CST		0	
A winter storm brought a period of freezing rain to southeast Illinois. The most significant icing occurred over Effingham county, where one quarter inch of glaze was reported. The icing caused tree and power line damage, as well as many traffic accidents.				
(IL-Z066) EFFINGHAM, (IL-Z067) JASPER, (IL-Z071) CLAY				
	03/04/08 07:00 CST		0	Ice Storm
	03/04/08 15:00 CST		0	
(IL-Z055) DOUGLAS				
	03/04/08 10:00 CST		0	Sleet
	03/04/08 12:00 CST		0	
A winter storm brought a second period of freezing rain in as many days to southeast Illinois. Periods of sleet were reported as well. Clay, Effingham and Jasper counties were most significantly impacted, receiving one quarter of an inch of glaze. Sleet up to one half inch was reported in Douglas county. The icing caused tree and power line damage and resulted in numerous traffic accidents.				
SHELBY COUNTY --- FINDLAY [39.52, -88.75]				
	03/27/08 19:00 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	03/27/08 19:05 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Hail to one inch in diameter accumulated to at least an inch deep in and around Findlay.				
COLES COUNTY --- 1.0 W MATTOON [39.48, -88.39], 1.0 N MATTOON [39.49, -88.37]				
	03/27/08 19:12 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	03/27/08 19:19 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Spotters reported penny to quarter sized hail on the west and north sides of Mattoon.				
Strong to severe thunderstorms formed to the north of a strong frontal boundary during the evening hours of the 27th. Many of the storms produced hail heavy enough to accumulate on the ground, but the majority of the hail was pea size. A few storms produced severe hail up to 1 inch in diameter.				
CASS COUNTY --- BEARDSTOWN [40.02, -90.43]				
	03/31/08 07:56 CST		67K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 61 kt)
	03/31/08 08:00 CST		0	Source: Newspaper
Thunderstorm winds damaged the roof of the Beardstown Fire Department.				
CASS COUNTY --- 2.1 S PHILADELPHIA [39.89, -90.12]				
	03/31/08 08:42 CST		0	Hail (0.75 in)
	03/31/08 08:43 CST		0	Source: Mesonet
A decaying storm complex moved east along a warm front during the morning hours of the 31st. This storm complex produced isolated reports of severe wind and hail.				
(IL-Z038) MCLEAN				
	03/31/08 16:00 CST		0	High Wind (MAX 54 kt)
	03/31/08 17:00 CST		0	
A deepening area of low pressure produced strong winds across portions of central Illinois during the afternoon hours of the 31st. The gusty winds were enhanced by showers over McLean county, producing minor wind damage to several outbuildings. In addition, several semi trailers were blown off the highway and rolled over. The highest measured wind gust was 62 miles per hour at the Central Illinois Regional Airport in Bloomington, but several other reports of wind gusts between 50 and 60 miles per hour were received.				